GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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FAKE LPG CYLINDERS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of gas cylinders not conforming to the required standard are in circulation in the country ;

(b) if so, the number of such gas cylinders detected in the various bottling plants during the last three years ; and (

(c) the action taken against the guilty persons in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) and (b) : The number of spurious cylinders detected at the LPG bottling plants of Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies during the last three years are as under :-

Year	No. of cylinders
1998-99	9518
1999-2000	10,300
2001-2002	7677

(c) : Oil Marketing Companies have made recoveries from the guilty distributors/ transporters at the penal rate for such fake cylinders.